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RE: WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATIONS

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David Waddell Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Dear Mr. Waddell:

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This is to advise the Authority that FairPoint is withdrawing its applications for certification to provide competitive local exchange services, intraLATA toll service, and long distance service on a retail basis in Tennessee.

FairPoint reiterates that it plans to move forward with its plans to provide resold intraLATA toll and long distance services on a strictly wholesale, carrier-to-carrier basis in Tennessee, consistent with its Reseller Application, which was filed with the Authority on March 27, 2001.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael M. Kent Senior Regulatory Counsel

CC. Patsy Fulton (TRA)